

REMARKS

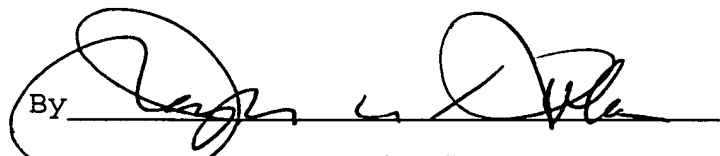
The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application. The claims have also been amended to delete multiple dependencies.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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The specification has been amended to provide cross-referencing to the International Application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

18. (Amended) An information carrier set forth in claim 16 [or claim 17], characterized in that said recess is formed circularly in a plane shape.

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